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See antics of Scout, Jem & Atticus at Library Movie Tonight

The City-County Library and Atmos Energy will present "Third Thursday Theater," tonight (Thursday) at 6:30 p.m. in the large meeting room at the Life Enrichment Center, located at 1717 Main Street in Tahoka.

The feature will be a 1962 film based on the classic book by Harper Lee starring Gregory Peck as small town lawyer Atticus Finch who defends a poor, black man accused of rape and the lessons learned along the way by his children, Scout and Jem.

Adults and children are invited (although this movie is not suitable for very young children) are invited to attend the free show. Children under 10 must be accompanied by a guardian who is at least 13 years of age.

Free soft drinks and popcorn will be served. Also, several copies of the book that inspired the movie will be given out as door prizes to registered participants.

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We are the Champions... The Tahoka Lady Bulldogs Softball team are Regional Quarterfinal Champions and will play Coahoma in the Regional Semifinals this Saturday morning at 10:30 a.m. at the Snyder High School field. Lady Bulldogs include, in back from left, Raquel Pesina, Valerie Sosa, Brooke Inklebarger, Virginia Aleman, Chyann Isbell, Head Coach Sabrina Gonzalez, Bailey Hall, Monica Morales (manager), Kyra Murillo, Sarah Zuniga and Amanda Truelove. Center from left: Anissa Alvarado, A'leesha Truelove, Brittney Hair, Marissa Villegas, Tawnyee Murillo, and Whitlee Anderson, and front, D'Maris Murillo. Not pictured are Cori Vega, and managers Nikki Box and Amy Barerra.

Twice as Nice! Lady Bulldogs Win Area Softball, Regional Quarterfinal Trophies

Tahoka's Lady Bulldogs Softball Team is in new territory—a playoff run that is now just two games away from a state playoff berth. The Lady Dogs claimed the Region 1-2A Area Championship title with a 2-0 win over West Texas Stinnett on May 1, for their first playoff victory in the program's three seasons, and followed that up with the Regional Quarterfinal trophy with a 1-0 win over Sanford-Fritch last Thursday.

Tahoka's team (11-12) now heads to Snyder High School for the Regional Semifinals, facing Coahoma (25-5) in a one-game playoff on Saturday, May 19 at 10:30 a.m. Fourth-ranked Coahoma has the better record, making the Lady Bulldogs the underdogs in the playoff berth. But underdogs—and Bulldogs—have been known to win against better odds. If the Lady Bulldogs continue in the playoff run, they could be competing in the Regional finals and then on to the State playoffs.

Now in their third season, the 2007 Lady Bulldogs Softball team is setting new standards this year, as this is the

farthest in the playoffs the team has gone since the program's inception in the 2004-05 school year.

"Our goal all year has been to play one game at a time, and in doing so, our team gets better with each game as do the opponents. I believe if we continue to play as well as we have been, take it one game at a time, we can do just as good as any other team," said Coach Sabrina Gonzalez, who has coached the team for the past two seasons.

"These girls have heart and the desire to win. They think and play like a softball team. We definitely have a chance to make it all the way through the playoffs—all we have to do is show up and play our game," said Coach Gonzalez.

Regional Quarterfinals

The Lady Bulldog's game against Sanford-Fritch was played last Thursday, May 10, at Lady Eagle Field in Canyon. D'Maris Murillo pitched a three-hit shutout, and Sarah Zuniga doubled home the only run as Tahoka defeated Sanford-Fritch 1-0 in a one-

(See Softball, page 8)

Voters Mark Choices In Local Elections

Lynn County voters made choices in several local elections last Saturday, including the statewide constitutional amendment which local voters approved and which also passed statewide. In Lynn County, 271 voters were in favor of the amendment that would give property tax relief to over-65 and disabled homeowners whose school taxes were frozen at a higher rate than in the 2006 and upcoming 2007 tax years. Only 18 voters in the county were against the amendment.

In the Tahoka ISD election, Pct. 2 incumbent Joe Calvillo won his seat with 20 votes, while candidate Carlos Morales received 10 votes. Kent Kahl (Pct. 1) and Tony Garcia (Pct. 5) were unchallenged in their precincts, and no election was held for those seats.

Roger Doss led the ticket in the O'Donnell city election for three council members with 117 votes, and also

elected were Paul Houston, 99 votes, and Willie Luera, 91 votes. Also running were Wayne Mott, 86 votes, and Jesse Ray Perez with 42.

Three school board members were elected in the O'Donnell ISD election, including Liz Luera, 187 votes, Cody Furlow, 153, and Mark Royce, 138. Also running were Ben Franklin, 115, and Kirby Williams, 56.

Wilson ISD had four trustee positions on the ballot, including three full-term positions (3-year terms), and a one-year unexpired term. Write-in candidate Danny Mendez was the only candidate for the unexpired term, and he was elected with 28 votes. Elected for the three full terms were Janie Rios, 63 votes, Israel Ramirez (write-in candidate), 51 votes, and Casey Donald, 28 votes. Also running was Cody Donald, who received 23 votes.

O'Donnell Pride Kaylee Eaker Is State 1A Discus Champ

Kaylee Eaker of O'Donnell High School won the Class 1A Discus throwing competition at the UIL State Track Meet in Austin last weekend. Eaker hurled the discus a distance of 124'0" to claim the girls state championship title—more than 3-feet further than the second place finisher, a girl from Woodsboro, who threw 120'8".

Eaker was also State silver medalist in another event, placing second in Shot Put with a distance of 42'1".

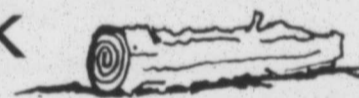
She had previously won the Regional Championship girls title in both events, with a distance of 116'2" in Discus, and 39'5" in Shot at the regional meet.

Lynn County had two other athletes in the State track competition as well.

Tyler Nieman of New Home placed fourth in the 400m run in the Class 1A boys competition at the State Track meet, with a time of 51.04 seconds.

Jay Tillman of Tahoka was a fifth place finisher in the Class 2A boys 100m run, clocking in at 10.94 seconds.

woodwork by dalton



UP IN LUBBOCK there has been a lot of discussion and wrangling about plans to install cameras at traffic lights, so they can catch those who run the red light, and so they can make money for the city, and maybe even slow down some of the violators.

Sounds like a plan to me, just so long as they don't catch me. Guess I'll just have to drive like some I've seen up there, and go through the intersection so fast that the camera shutter won't have time to operate (you have to go faster than the speed of light, which I think some of those guys have just about managed).

Note to Tahoka city council: maybe you should consider the same plan, since the city always seems to need money. You could bring in a lot of fines, make a lot of people mad, and the cost of equipment would be minimal, since you would only need one camera in Tahoka.

I HAD SEEN THIS before, but someone passed it along to me again last week and it is worth repeating. It was entitled "Why parents drink."

A father passing by his son's bedroom was astonished to see that his bed was made up neatly and everything was picked up. Then he saw an envelope, propped up on the pillow and addressed to "Dad." With the worst premonition, he opened the envelope to read:

Dear Dad,

It is with great regret and sorrow that I'm writing you. I had to elope with my new girlfriend because I wanted to avoid a scene with Mom and you. I have been finding real passion with Stacy and she is so nice.

But I knew you would not approve of her because of all her piercing, tattoos, motorcycle clothes and the fact that she is several years older than I am. But it's not just the passion. Dad, she's pregnant. Stacy said that we will be very happy. She owns a trailer in the woods and has a stack of firewood for the whole winter. We share a dream of having many more children.

Stacy has opened my eyes to the fact that marijuana doesn't really hurt anyone. We'll be growing it for ourselves and trading it with some other people that live nearby, mainly for something we call ecstasy. In the meantime we will pray that science will find a cure for AIDS so Stacy can get better. She deserves it. Don't worry, Dad, I am 15 and I know how to take care of myself. Someday I'm sure we will be back to visit so you can get to know your grandchildren.

Love, your son, John.

P.S. Dad, none of that stuff above is true. I'm over at Tommy's house. I just wanted to remind you that there are worse things in life than a report card. That's in my center desk drawer. I love you guys. Call me when it's safe to come home.

MANY OF YOU understand that to get on the internet you either have to have a phone line or some kind of wireless setup.

(To those of you not into computers at all, congratulations. Your life is less complicated and confusing without them).

Anyway, over at the City-County Library in Tahoka, they now have some kind of wireless system rigged up where you can sit in the library, or even out in front of the library in your car, with a laptop computer and get online, with no wires and no expense. That's neat. One of our newspaper staffers who owns a laptop computer tried it out, and it worked.

I was discussing this with the librarian and she suggested that I get a laptop computer myself.

I explained to her that I couldn't do that, because I don't have a lap.



MRS. SHAWN ANDERSON (nee HEATHER KIETH)

Kieth-Anderson Vows Exchanged

Heather Kieth and Shawn Anderson were united in marriage Saturday, April 21, 2007 at 6:30 p.m., at the New Home Baptist Church with Bro. Harold Harrison of Whiteface officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mickey and Kelly Kieth of New Home, and the granddaughter of Jimmie and Joann Kieth of New Home, Mary Johnston of Rochester, and great granddaughter of Garland Peck of New Home.

The groom is the son of Johnny and Janné Anderson of Lubbock.

Escorted by her father, the bride wore a white satin, diamond white Maggie Sottero gown. The bodice, encrusted with crushed Swarovski crystals, added highlights to the asymmetrical soft pleated waist. Embellishments were delicately sprinkled on the front and back of the skirt. The bride carried a bouquet of hot pink roses and gerbera daisies.

Serving as co-maids of honor were Brittany and Brooke Kieth, sisters of the bride, of New Home. Bridesmaids were Stephanie Kieth, cousin of the bride, of New Home, Kaci Wied, and Tiffany Nettles, both of New Home. Heather Dickerson of Canyon, and Sha Moore, sister of the groom, of New Home.

Ian Mounce of Lubbock served as best man. Groomsmen were Jaybo Webb, Tatum Bessire, Reagan McMillan, Jon Cotton, all of Lubbock, Brad Anderson, cousin of the groom, of Weatherford, and Shane Moore, brother-in-law of the groom of New Home.

McKenzie Johnston, cousin of the bride, served as flower girl, and Jordan Moore, nephew of the groom, served as ring bearer, both of New Home.

Registering guests was Halee Hughes of Lubbock.

Pianist was Cheryl Clifton of O'Donnell.

Ushers were Dakota Johnston, cousin of the bride of Ponder, Tyler Hawthorne of Tahoka, Eric Gandy and Shawn Brewer, both of Lubbock.

A reception was held at the Lakeridge Country Club following the ceremony. Servers were Caitlin Kieth and Brittany Dixon, of Canyon.

Following a wedding trip to Riviera Maya in Mexico, the couple will reside in New Home. The bride is a graduate of New Home High School and West Texas A&M. The groom is a graduate of O'Donnell High School and Texas Tech University. He is currently employed by City Bank in Lubbock.

Police Busy With Domestic Violence

Tahoka Police officers investigated one traffic accident and a couple of vandalism incidents during the last week, but spent much of their time refereeing domestic disputes and family assault incidents, some of which resulted in persons being jailed.

On Monday at the intersection of S. 5th and Ave. L a 1995 Chevrolet pickup driven by Cameron Wayne Harcrow, 18, and a 2002 Ford Mustang driven by Timothy Gabe Garcia, 21, were involved in a collision, with no injuries resulting.

Last Friday evening police were summoned to a residence in West Tahoka where a 25-year-old woman said she had been threatened and physically attacked. Police then attempted to sort out a dispute involving several family members, three of whom are teenagers, one the girl friend of a family member. No arrests were made.

An 18-year-old man was arrested for disorderly conduct after a 19-year-old female apparently was slightly injured in a

dispute over child custody Monday.

On May 9, police went to a residence in Tahoka where an 18-year-old girl said her mother had kicked her. The mother said she did so because the girl would not stop using abusive, obscene language toward her mother.

Enedina Arellano of Lubbock told police that a window in a rent house on Ave. J had been broken out.

Lynn County jail population dropped to a more manageable 48 this week after staying above 50 for several weeks. A dozen more inmates were added during the last week as a few more than that were released. Charges on which the most recent inmates were jailed included disorderly conduct, possession of marijuana under two ounces, driving while license invalid, public intoxication, parole violation, driving while intoxicated, and unlawfully carrying a weapon. Fourteen of those jailed are being held for Garza County.

BBB Warns Senior Citizens of Medicare Prescription Drug Scams

Better Business Bureau report that crooks are calling seniors, masquerading as "approved" providers or government officials, and offering to sign them up over the telephone. Their goal is to wrest personal and financial information from seniors that they can use to steal their identities or money.

A Tahoka woman reported to *The Lynn County News* that she recently received a telephone call from someone stating that they were issuing new required Medicare cards and that she needed to give her social security number over the phone and provide a blank check from

her bank account. Fortunately, she questioned the caller, refused to give out personal information over the phone and hung up on the caller. The persistent caller even called again, but she again refused to give information.

Seniors and those who care for seniors need to know how to identify the legitimate approved Medicare Prescription Drug providers from the "pretenders." The BBB offers the following tips when evaluating the various plans being marketed:

Carefully review the Medicare & You handbook that has been provided to every senior citizen. The booklet explains in detail what prescription drug coverage means to you and which plans are available in your area.

Legitimate providers are not allowed to market the drug plans door-to-door or via unsolicited e-mails.

Legitimate providers are permitted to contact consumers, but they must observe federal and state do-not-call laws and registries. Also, they should be willing to send you information about the plan in the mail, and to wait to obtain any necessary personal and financial information until after you decide to enroll.

If someone calls you out of the blue to offer a Medicare prescription drug plan and asks for personal and financial information, obtain their name, the name of their company or agency, and their phone number. Ask them to send you information about their plan in the mail. Do not provide your bank account number, your Social Security number or any other personal information over the telephone.

Verify the legitimacy of any provider that contacts you by calling the Medicare toll-free phone number, 1-800-MEDICARE (633-4227), which is open 24 hours a day.

Additional information about Medicare prescription drug coverage: how to assess your needs and review plan options; and, how to choose and enroll in a plan is available at www.medicare.gov.

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CRUZ ALONSO

Cruz Alonso

Funeral mass for Cruz Alonso, 65, of Tahoka was held Wednesday, May 16, at 3:00 p.m. at St. Jude Catholic Church in Tahoka with Father Edward Teo officiating. Burial was to follow at Nevels Cemetery under the direction of Calvillo Funeral Home.

She died Monday, May 14, 2007. She was born on May 3, 1942 in Lockhart, TX to Prislino and Concepcion Alonso. She was a homemaker and a Catholic. She moved to Tahoka in 1981 from New Home. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Survivors include three brothers, Valentine Alonso of Tahoka, Margarito Alonso of Meadow, and Juan Alonso of West Point; a sister, Lupe Solorzano of Tahoka; and a host of nieces and nephews.

Free Summer Camp Offered In Tahoka

Children in grades 1-8 in Lynn County are invited to attend a free summer camp for two weeks on Monday through Thursday, June 4-7 and June 11-14. The camp will be held at the Tahoka Elementary School Gym. Registration will be conducted May 21 through June 1, and forms will be available at the Lynn County Probation Office, Tahoka City Hall, and Tahoka ISD Business Office (Harvick Building). Children may also register on the first day of camp at 12:30 p.m.

Camp activities include life skills, education, swimming, games, scavenger hunts and more, and children will have snacks provided. There will be T-shirt giveaways and door prizes which include a TV, bicycle and toys.

Volunteers are also needed. Please sign up with Gracie at the Lynn County Probation office.

The free camp is sponsored by several organizations, including the City Of Tahoka, Lynn County Probation, Tahoka Rotary Club, Huffaker Law Firm and Managed Care Center.

Lydia Luker

Services for Lydia Luker, 88, of Slaton were held at 3 p.m., Tuesday May 15, 2007 at the Redeemer Lutheran Church with Rev. Jay Beyer officiating. Interment followed in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Resthaven Funeral Home. She died Sunday May 13, 2007, in Slaton.

She was born April 15, 1919 to Fred and Sophie (Schweker) Kaatz in Clarendon. She married Walter H. Luker in Wilson, Nov. 25, 1937. He preceded her in death Aug. 12, 1984. The Luker's farmed in this area and retired to Slaton in 1978. She was a member of the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Lubbock. She was a homemaker and farmer.

Survivors include her children, Delores Drew, Lawrence Luker, Carolyn Klaus, Ernest Luker, Norman Luker, Margaret Streicher; 11 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials, in lieu of flowers, be sent to Hospice of Lubbock at 1102 Slide Road 79416.

Senior Citizens MENU

- May 21-15
- Monday: Fried chicken, homemade white gravy, mashed potatoes, Harvard beets w/ onion, fresh rolls, apple crisp
 - Tuesday: Hamburger steak, brown gravy, corn, pea salad, fresh rolls, cherry cobbler
 - Wednesday: Turkey and dressing, sweet potatoes w/ marshmallows, green beans, cranberry sauce, rolls, pecan pie
 - Thursday: Hot dogs, w/ or w/ out chili, trimmings, ice cream sundae
 - Friday: Tilapia fried fish, cole slaw, potato salad, baked beans, hush puppies, white cake w/ topping

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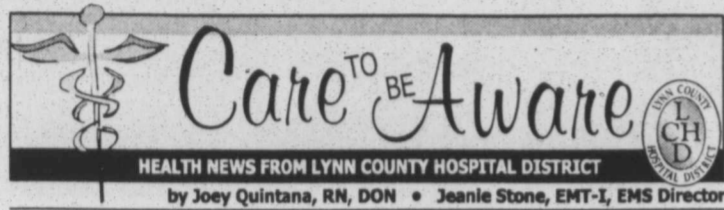
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Helping Hands Beautify Lynnwood ... The youth from SPJST and the St. John Lutheran Church in Wilson, came to Lynnwood Assisted Living Center in Tahoka on May 5 to plant flowers. The Lynnwood residents are excited about having beautiful flowers and want to thank all that came.



ATV SAFETY
ATVs are very popular and fun to ride. ATVs can also be very dangerous. ATVs are very powerful and can exceed over 60 miles per hour and weight over 700 pounds. ATVs can very easily roll and tip over. According to ATVSafety.gov, 740 deaths occurred in 2003 associated with ATVs. Children accounted for 140 of the reported deaths. In 2004, an estimated 136,000 ATV-related injuries were treated in hospital emergency rooms. Listed below are safety tips and Texas State Laws provided by ATVSafety.gov.

- Safety Tips:**
- Take a hands-on safety training course.
 - Always wear a helmet and protective gear.
 - Do not drive ATVs with a passenger or ride as a passenger.
 - Do not drive ATVs on paved roads and unfamiliar terrain.
 - Do not permit children to drive or ride adult ATVs.
 - Do not drive ATVs while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

- Texas State Laws:**
- All ATV owners must apply for a title before selling or disposing of their ATV.
 - All ATVs must be registered and renewed once a year when operated on public property.
 - No passengers are allowed on ATVs used on public lands unless the ATV is designed to carry a passenger.
 - ATV use on public streets is not allowed, except to cross the streets or for agricultural purposes.
 - All operators under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.
 - While on public lands, all operators must have a safety certificate or be with a parent who has obtained a safety certificate.
 - ATVs shall not be operated from one half hour after sunset to one half hour before sunrise without a lighted taillight and headlight.
- Although ATVs are fun to ride, they are very dangerous. Their unpredictable nature in off-road conditions makes training and proper use essential.



JEROD CLOPTON

Clopton Is Honor Grad From Wayland

Jerod Clopton received a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics and minors in Chemistry and Art at Commencement exercises held Saturday, May 5, at Wayland Baptist University, Plainview campus.

Jerod was recognized as a Cum Laude honor graduate and a four-year recipient of the Pioneer Scholarship Award.

While at Wayland, Clopton was a member of the Student Senate and president of Pi Sigma Sigma.

Clopton is a 2003 graduate of O'Donnell High School and the son of Cheryl and Bill Clopton. He has been accepted to Texas Tech Graduate School, department of Mathematics and Statistics and will be a teaching assistant in the department.

McCord Honored At Home In Dallas

H.B. McCord, a longtime resident of Tahoka, recently was honored as Resident of the Month for May at Walnut Place, an assisted living facility in Dallas, where he has been a resident for the last 14 months.

The monthly publication of Walnut Place noted that McCord was born and raised in Tahoka and that he and his late wife, Jeanne, operated an automobile dealership in Tahoka from 1951 to 1995. They were married for 55 years until her death in 2004.

McCord attended Texas A&M, served in the U.S. Air Force for three years, then earned a business degree at Texas Tech. His son, Gary, now lives in Houston, and two other sons, Terry and Jim, live in Dallas.

Annual Tahoka All-Sports Reunion Set For July 14

Former Tahoka Bulldogs are invited to share fellowship and fun with their former classmates and teammates at the semi-annual Athletics Reunion that will be held at T-Bar Country Club on Saturday, July 14, 2007.

The Golf Tournament will begin at 10:00 until completed. The Green Fee is \$15 and Cart Fee is \$15, and dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. and cost is \$10 per plate. Music and dancing will follow evening meal, at 8:00 p.m.

An RSVP is required for the tournament and dinner by May 30. Contact Alan Curry at 806-698-0400 or email him at alcurry@sbcglobal.net or 5109 82d # 7237, Lubbock, TX 79424.

Two Resign From Tahoka School

Two teacher resignations were reported at the Tahoka Independent School District Board of Trustees meeting last Thursday, May 10. Teacher/coach Wes Solomon and his wife, Courtney Solomon, an English teacher, both submitted resignations effective at the end of the school year.

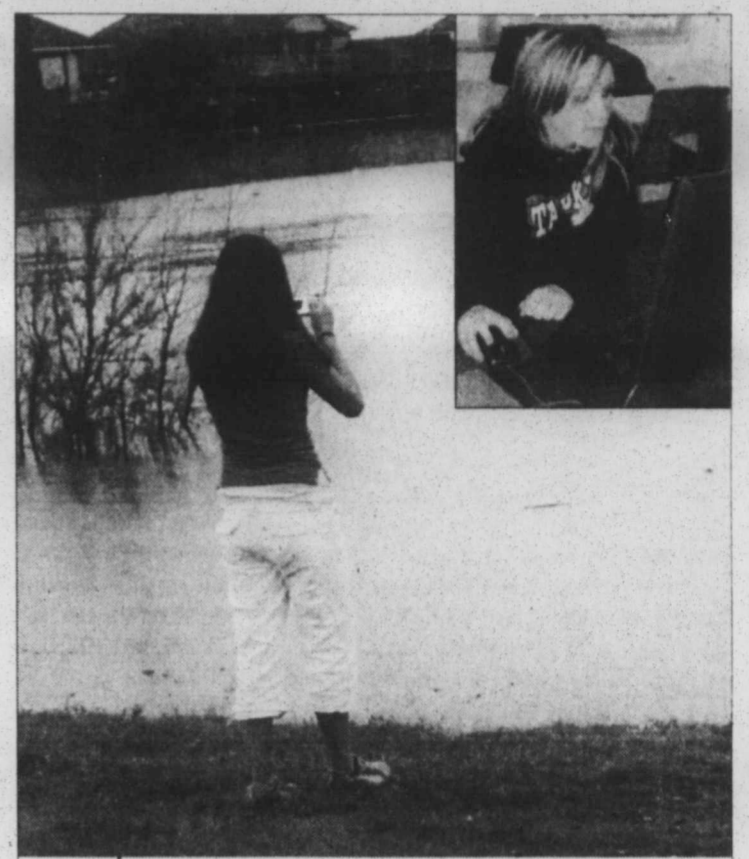
In other business, trustees heard two Level III complaints from Joe and Kellie Craig (Policy FNG, regarding student discipline) and from Cathy Ross and Heath Ross (Policy FNG), but took no official action on either issue.

Trustees approved moving sixth grade classes from elementary to the middle school campus beginning in the 2007-08 school year.

First National Bank of Tahoka was awarded a two-year bank depository bid contract for the district's finances.

Campus principals reported on campus activities, and Superintendent Jimmy Parker presented a legislative update and information on potential vehicle purchases.

Trustees met in another session on May 15, approving the purchase of a Suburban and a police car, to replace the current vehicles owned by the district. Trustees also canvassed the election results from the May 12 trustee election.



Photography Class ... Tahoka Middle School Digital Photography class students will display their work on Tuesday, May 22 at The Center, 1400 Ave. K in Tahoka, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. In these photos, Kadi Larpenter is taking a photo of a Lubbock park, and Taryn Bishop works on a photo with editing software on the computer. The students' photos will be offered for sale, with funds raised going to local charities.

Photography Class To Exhibit Photos Tuesday

The Tahoka Middle School Digital Photography Class will host a showing of their work on Tuesday, May 22 at The Center, 1400 Ave. K in Tahoka from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

This Gallery showing of TMS students' photography work ranging in types from portraiture, action, and still life is offered to show off the artistic abilities and creative efforts that students have accomplished over the last semester in a digital photography class.

"We invite the community to come and view the students' works while enjoying refreshments. The photographs will be for sale and the money raised will be used to aid in local

charities. We encourage all to attend and hope that you will enjoy what our students have accomplished this semester," stated instructor Kassidi Stone.

THS ATHLETIC BANQUET
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Phebe K. Warner CLUB NEWS

Phebe K. Warner Club members and guests met May 8 at the United Methodist Church. Hostesses were Pat Park, Deloris Short and Gerald-Dean Wood. Carol Headrick, the daughter of former member, the late Lucille Smith, gave a book review titled "Florence Nightingale," written by Cecil Woodham-Smith published in 1951. Mrs. Headrick brought to life, Florence Nightingale, the shining example for nurses everywhere of compassion, commitment to patient care and diligent hospital administration. Nightingale was known as "The Lady with the Lamp."

A business meeting was held with Barbara White, President presiding. Two hundred new flags will be placed on Veteran's graves at the local cemetery before Memorial Day.

Amanda Truelove was awarded the Lady Stewart scholarship and Garret Autry received the Maurice Bray scholarship. These scholarships are awarded by the Phebe K. Warner Club each year to support outstanding students in our community.

The next meeting will be in September. The theme this year was "Aiding Our Youth-Building a Better Future." Phebe K. Warner Club strives to serve our fellowman. We are dedicated to providing support to our youth, our schools, our community and our country.

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14 Local EMS Volunteers Spend Many Hours In Service To Others

by JUANELL JONES

It's a distinctive sound that carries for miles. The wailing of an ambulance signals that someone, somewhere needs help — and Lynn County EMS Service is on the job. People count on that. It's a comfort to know that medical assistance is available by simply picking up the phone and dialing 9-1-1, and knowing that someone ALWAYS comes to offer medical assistance in the quickest possible time.

That's what an EMS service provides. What many people don't realize, however, is that the people answering these emergency calls in Lynn County are volunteers with full-time other jobs. What they do for the EMS is a voluntary service, and they have spent many hours in training to be prepared to assist with a wide variety of medical emergencies. Next week, during EMS Week (May 20-26), is a good opportunity to tell the local volunteers how much they are appreciated for doing a job that not too many people are willing — or able — to do.

With a combined total of more than 99 years of experience, the 14 members of the Lynn County Hospital District EMS provide a valuable service to the residents of Lynn County, offering their time and expertise to cover the county's more than 6,000 residents with 24-hour emergency medical service. Three ambulances are available for the local EMS, so that if one crew is busy with a transfer or other medical emergency, backup crews may take the backup ambulances for another call.

There are 892 square miles in Lynn County, and the EMS crew has traveled down many a backroad to get to some remote locations in answering emergency calls. Pouring rain, roads coated with dangerous ice, blinding sandstorms — they've been through it all, and they always get their man — or their patient, if you will.

Jeanie Stone is the Lynn County EMS Director, heading up the 14-member crew. She is the only EMS member actually on-

staff for EMS at the hospital, and she oversees the myriad of paperwork and scheduling for the service. A minimum of two certified personnel must be on-call at all times, and usually the EMS is on three-person 12-hour shifts.

Most EMTs take 10-14 12-hour shifts each month — that's 120-168 hours each month on-call, which means no leaving town, must be able to respond to the hospital after a page within five minutes at the most. Many of the business people who volunteer are on call during the night shift, which means if they get called out, they must perform their duties, sometimes all night long without any sleep, and then report to work the next day. Or, those on call during the day must leave their work — no matter how important that job is to them — to answer a call that may take 2-3 hours away from their job. That's dedication.

It takes dedication to become a member of the Lynn County EMS as well, to attain the level of training required to become an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT). Texas has four levels of EMS certification. The highest certification level is a paramedic, followed by EMT-Intermediate, EMT-Basic and Emergency Care Attendant (ECA). A person must hold at least an EMT-Basic certification to be able to advance to EMT-Intermediate or EMT-Paramedic.

The members of Lynn County Hospital District EMS have dedicated a significant amount of time to achieve these certifications, with three EMT-Intermediates

and six EMT-Basics on the crew, and one ECA, as well as four ambulance drivers.

To earn the EMT-Basic certification, each person must have approximately 4-5 months training (equivalent to 164 hours of class room time), followed by 32 hours of training in the hospital setting and an additional 32 hours of training on an ambulance (supervised). An EMT-Basic is trained to administer medications such as Aspirin, Nitroglycerin and Oral Glucose.

EMT-Intermediate certification requires (in addition to EMT-Basic hours) approximately 4-5 months training (equivalent to 160 hours of class room time), followed by 80 hours of rotations in the hospital setting (40 hrs in the ER, 8 hrs in the burn unit, 16 hrs surgical rotations, 16 hrs in respiratory), and then an additional 112 hours of training on an ambulance (supervised).

"All hospital and ambulance rotations must either be done at night, on the weekends, or the trainee must take off work, which is time for which there is no reimbursement," explains Mrs. Stone, who is an EMT-Intermediate with

11 years of experience. Her husband, Kent Stone, a local farmer, has served on the EMS crew for 15 years and is also an EMT-Intermediate. Dee Dee Pridmore, the third Intermediate level EMT on the local EMS, has the most years of experience, serving for the past 26 years — and that's in addition to working full-time for Poka Lambro Telephone Cooperative, Inc. She began serving on the EMS a few months after she graduated from Tahoka High School in 1981.

Volunteerism runs in the Stone family, with Kent and Jeanie's son, also named Kent, joining the service last year as an ambulance driver. Serving as EMT-Basics are Todd Henry, a Lyntegar employee with 17 years on the EMS; Vondell Elliott, co-owner of The Lynn County News, 8 years; Rebecca Childress, and LVN at Lynn County Hospital District, 6 years experience; Rebecca Dimak, a teacher at Tahoka Elementary, 4 years; Amy Preston, another Poka Lambro employee, 2-1/2 years; and John Baker, a local architect employed by Greenstreet Inc. in Lubbock, 1-1/2 years.

There are four ambulance drivers, including Chad Swinford, 4 years experience, employed by Poka Lambro; Lyndsea Hoard, 1-1/2 years experience, employed by LCHD Physical Therapy Dept.; Kent Stone II, 1-year experience, farmer; and Jana Engle, who joined in October 2006, who is also employed by LCHD.

Most likely, you know one or more of these local EMS volunteers.

"In a small community like this, we know a lot of people, and if there is a call involving a relative



Volunteer Squad ... The volunteer members of the Lynn County EMS are ready, willing and able to respond to all 9-1-1 medical calls in Lynn County, with a crew of 14 trained volunteers and three ambulances in the service. Jeanie Stone (left) is EMS Director, and crew members shown here include, in back from left, Rebecca Dimak, Dee Dee Pridmore, John Baker, Vondell Elliott and Chad Swinford; and in front, Amy Preston, Jana Engle, and Lyndsea Hoard. Not shown are Kent Stone, Kent Stone II, Todd Henry, Rebecca Childress, and Monica Stephens. (LCN PHOTO)

of an EMT who happens to be on call, we try not to let them respond to the call," said Vondell Elliott, EMT-B. "It's hard to distance yourself from the situation when it is someone you know well, and it's just better to let someone not emotionally involved to handle the call, although sometimes we don't have that option," she explained.

LCHD EMS responded to 447 calls for the fiscal year of 2006 (October 2005 through September 2006), of which 336 were scenic calls coming mostly through the 9-1-1 system. Some calls come directly to the hospital, but EMS Director Stone encourages residents to always call 9-1-1 in an emergency.

"The public should always make a habit of calling 9-1-1 if they need an ambulance or other emergency assistance. Some ambulance requests still come directly through the hospital's public number, and those requests are responded to with the same urgency as a 9-1-1 call. But, if the 9-1-1 system is utilized, the caller's phone number and location information is available instantaneously and all agencies involved have more information and are better prepared to assist you or your loved one," she explained. "It is actually more efficient and time-saving for everyone involved if the emergency calls go through the 9-1-1 system rather than directly to the hospital," the director added.

Of the 447 EMS calls during 2006, Stone said the calls were broken down into three categories — transfers, medical calls, and trauma calls, as follows:

- 111 — transfers from Lynn County Hospital District to hospitals in Lubbock, for further or more advanced treatment;
- 290 — medical calls, which include, respiratory, cardiac, diabetes, and other problems associated with illnesses;
- 157 — trauma calls, which include, falls, vehicle accidents, assaults, accidents, etc.

The 14 members of LCHD EMS are to be commended for their dedication to providing emergency health services to the citizens of Lynn County. It's a tough job, and the residents of Lynn County are fortunate to have these volunteers who, day after day, and year after year, continue to serve.

"LCHD EMS is staffed by a group of dedicated people from our community that are an essential part of our staff," said Jim Morris, LCHD Administrator. "These volunteers give up a considerable amount of their time for training and covering ambulance calls. These individuals are also willing to stay during times when the nursing staff is short handed and help in the hospital when their 'job' is done. Words cannot convey the Hospital District and Board's appreciation for the work these volunteers provide," Morris added.

Public Forum Set To Get Opinions Of Street Closure by Courthouse

Lynn County Commissioners and Tahoka City Council members met together recently to set a time for a public forum to discuss a possible street closure on the west side of the Lynn County Courthouse in Tahoka. Under discussion is the portion of Main Street that cuts through the courthouse lawn, with the veterans' memorial triangle on the west and the courthouse on the east side of the street. Closing the street would return the courthouse "square" back to its original design, which is an actual square of streets surrounding the courthouse.

Lynn County Commissioners have made the request for the street closure, to gain points in funding requests for the recently approved grant for the historical preservation/restoration of the building — and grounds — to its original design. While the grant proposal has already been approved, the amount of grant funds by the state legislature has not yet been finalized. County officials say that anything that will gain "points" on the funding ladder for Lynn County will be

beneficial in moving this project "up the ladder" for funding.

City officials, however, are rightfully concerned about which jurisdiction — city, county or state — will maintain the street, which is now under the jurisdiction of the state because it is designated as Loop 472 by the Texas Highway Dept.

City officials, county officials, highway department officials, and representatives from the Texas Historical Commission (through which the courthouse grant is approved) will be present for a public forum set in Tahoka on Tuesday, June 5, at 7 p.m. All interested residents are encouraged to attend to hear the discussion, and invited to give their opinions as well, on the street closure. The meeting will be held at the Tahoka Housing Authority Center, at 1400 Ave. K.

Information will also be provided on the courthouse restoration project at that time.

For more information, contact County Judge H.G. Franklin at 561-4222, or Tahoka City Administrator Jerry Webster at 561-4211.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC FORUM Tahoka City Council & Lynn County Commissioner's Court

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

In an effort to assess local concerns related to the proposed closure of a section of the street passing immediately along the west side of the Lynn County Courthouse, the Tahoka City Council and Lynn Council Commissioners' Court will conduct a joint public forum and invites citizens to hear information and to provide feedback on the issue.

This forum shall provide an opportunity for citizens to obtain information regarding the restoration of the Lynn County Courthouse and the issue of the proposed street closure, and to express any opinions and/or concerns that might exist to their representative bodies. The focus will be on verbal presentations, but written information may also be provided.

The Lynn Council Commissioners' Court and City Council will utilize the information gathered at the public forum to aid in the decision-making process, as it relates to the renovation of the Lynn County Courthouse and future grant funding applications.

Everyone is encouraged to attend the meeting.

The forum will take place as follows:

**Tuesday, June 5, 2007 at 7:00 p.m.
at The Center, 1400 Ave. K in Tahoka**

The Commissioners' Court and City Council requests that individuals limit their questions, responses and comments to three (3) minutes each. In addition to the City Council and Commissioners' Court, the following individuals are expected to present information and/or field questions:

1. John Baker, McClartyBakerAssociates, Inc.
2. Tommy Honeycutt, former Lampasas County Judge
3. Lyman Labry, Texas Historical Commission
4. Randy Hopmann, Texas Department of Transportation

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State competitor ... Tyler Nieman of New Home (right) placed fourth in the 400m run in the Class 1A boys competition at the UIL State Track Meet, with a time of 51.04 seconds. (Photo by Shane Moore)

Tahoka Middle School Orientation Set May 21

Tahoka Middle School orientation for all incoming 6th and 7th graders and parents will be held Monday, May 21, at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. This orientation will help answer questions about the transition to Middle School for 6th and 7th graders. Tom Thomas, Tahoka Middle School Principal will be available to answer any questions or concerns, and there will be a time set aside to allow incoming students to sign up for classes.



And they're off! ... Tahoka kindergarten children set off on a race at the Tahoka Elementary Track and Field Day, held Thursday, May 10. The happy children are, from left, Aly Dotson, Mark Benevides, Manuel Soto, Bryson Resendez, Matthew Diaz, Naziah Cauley and Sarah Crank.

Commissioners To Solicit Bids For Courthouse Project

Lynn County Commissioners met in regular session Monday morning, approving a motion to solicit bids for architectural services for the Lynn County Courthouse restoration project. Bids will be taken for the historical restoration and renovation of the courthouse, which will be undertaken through grant funding from the Texas Historical Commission Courthouse Preservation program. The \$3.5 million project will incorporate historical renovation of the three-story courthouse that was built in 1916. While the Texas Historical Commission has approved the grant proposal, Texas legislators have not yet set funding for the statewide courthouse preservation program through which the grant would be administered.

Commissioners moved to adopt a format for a June 5th public forum on a street closure west of the courthouse, which is being requested by county officials to restore the courthouse "square" back to its original design (see story in this issue). The forum will be held on Tuesday, June 5 at 7 p.m. at The Center, 1400 Ave. K in Tahoka.

Commissioners voted to apply for a grant for an emergency generator for Emergency Management use, and paid monthly bills.

All four commissioners were present for the meeting led by County Judge H.G. Franklin, including Mike Braddock, Brad Hammonds, Don Morton and Don Blair.



SARAH QUISENBERRY

Quisenberry Graduates From Wayland Baptist

Sarah Quisenberry graduated from Wayland Baptist University, Plainview Campus, on May 5, 2007, receiving her Bachelor of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies. She graduated Summa Cum Laude with a GPA of 3.976. She will be teaching Middle School Science in Post.

She is the daughter of David and Fammie Quisenberry of Post, and the granddaughter of Mary Beth McKibben of Tahoka, Jerry and Connie McKibben of Lubbock and Johnny Mac and Dean Quisenberry of Lockney. She is the great-granddaughter of J.W. Gardenhire of Tahoka.

New Home SCHOOL MENU

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Friday: No School
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Wednesday: Pizza, corn, lettuce/tomato, dessert
Thursday: Sack Lunch-Ham and Cheese sandwich, pickle spears, baby carrots, cherry extreme fruit, chips and cookie

SPC Announces Online Registration

South Plains College online registration for the first and second summer sessions and fall 2007 is underway. Online registration for the first summer session continues through May 21.

Current students with email addresses and pin numbers qualify for online registration.

The NEW HOME News

SmaCd members hosted a Round Table meeting for High School on Wednesday, May 9. Andy and Monica cooked pancakes for the students and Mrs. Holder and the cafeteria staff provided the rest of the breakfast items.

Whitney Jones and Rachel Smith of Managed Care Center of Lubbock provided the program over Self Injury.

There were 36 students at the meeting. smaCd provided 20 different door prizes and a variety of handouts for those in attendance.

A sendoff for State Bound, Tyler Nieman was held on May 9 during tutorials. The whole school was present to send their favorite runner off in style. Tyler, affectionately called "Ducky," Ducky ran on Friday night, May 11.

Students can register at www.southplainscollege.edu under the Campus Connect link. All students registering online for the first summer session must pay their tuition and fees by 3:00 pm on May 21 or courses will be dropped.

SPC open registration for the first summer session is scheduled for May 23 at the Levelland, Reese and Plainview campuses. The first summer session classes begin May 29. Registration times are required

for Levelland and Reese students.

For more information or to obtain a registration time, contact the Admissions and Records Office at 806-894-9611, extension 2374 (Levelland) or extension 2902 (Reese Center).

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Lots of awards in past four years ... These Tahoka High School 3-D Band seniors, who will be performing for the last time with the 3-D Band this Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at the annual spring concert at the high school auditorium, show off the awards they have earned in their high school career: Five years of 1's in marching (starting with Standing in the Gap), 2 Area, 1 Area Finals, and four consecutive large Sweepstakes (1's in marching, concert, and sightreading). Those shown are: back row, Kasen Stanley, Crystal Carrasco, Sarah Draper, K'lyssa Selmon, Garret Autry, Josh Sastre; front row, Adrian Aleman, Amanda Paredes, Nick House, Katie Webster, Amanda Truelove, and Heath Ross. Not shown is Jonathan Hernandez. Everyone is encouraged to come to the spring concert, which will feature a new march written especially for the 3-D Band and the music of Grease.



Up and away ... First graders line up for a turn at the Softball Throw event, watching as Nicholas Arce gets his ball up in the air at the Tahoka Elementary Track and Field Day on May 10. Waiting for their turn are, from left, Ruben Quinonez, Timothy Garcia, Bryan Williams, Spencer Mannis, Braden Castillon and Austin Romero.

Letters To The Editor

Thanks From Girls Little Dribblers

The Girls Little Dribblers' would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who have supported the Girls Little Dribblers' program during the regular season and to those who helped with the Regional Tournament.

First of all, parents we want to thank you for allowing your child to be involved in this program and your help throughout the year. To all the coaches in the regular season and All-Star Season, we appreciate you giving of your time and dedication to these girls.

We cannot thank our local businesses enough. Our community is so fortunate to have these businesses that are willing to support our children in any way possible. The following we would like to give special thanks: Atmos, Lucy Me, Lyntegar, Photography by Heather, PJ's, Poka Lambro, Taylor Millright Service, Thriftway and Wilson State Bank.

To Tahoka ISD, we want you to know how much we appreciate you allowing us to use your facilities and for the willingness of your employees to do whatever was needed to help us. We also want to thank the Tahoka Athletic Booster Club who helped us prepare in advance for our concession stand for the tournament.

We wish we could thank each and everyone personally in this letter but the lists of names is so great. We want you to know that this tournament would have not been possible without each and everyone of you. The tournament was a great success and we owe it to all the support from the community, fans, parents, coaches, and volunteers. Some of you spent countless hours of time this weekend and just know that you touched a child's life in some way. Once again we showed other towns how we as a community can come together in support of our kids.

Again, many, many thanks for everyone's support.

The Tahoka Girls Little Dribblers

Community Appreciation

I would like to let the community/parents know how much I appreciate their hard work and dedication to making the Track and Field Day a success at Tahoka Elementary. Everyone was supportive, agreeable and helpful. The whole day ran smoothly due to the many volunteers that came and gave of their time and talents.

Thanks to the teachers/staff that assisted me and the students through the events and kept it on time. One special thanks to Vivan McAfee, Alecia Hancock and Lynn Lankford for all the years of experience they brought to the table when it was time to get it set up.

What a wonderful place to live and raise your children. Have a blessed summer!

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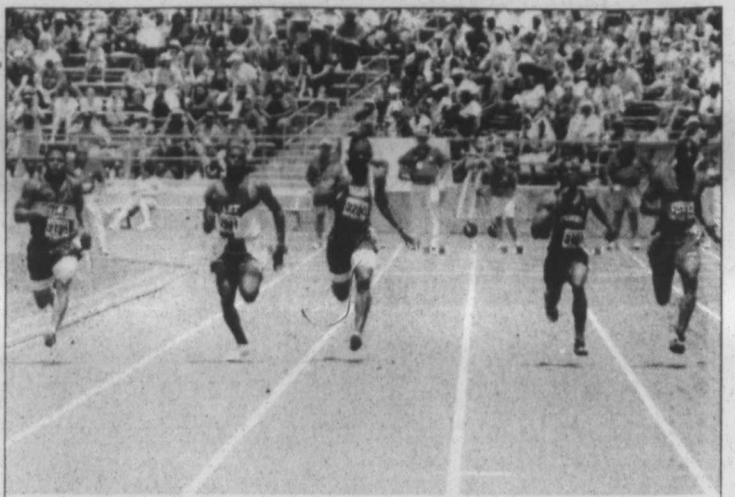
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Jay's run ... Jay Tillman of Tahoka (center) was a fifth place finisher in the Class 2A boys 100m run, clocking in at 10.94 seconds.
(Photo by Shane Moore)

Morgan Lockaby Joins American Angus Assn.

Morgan Lockaby of Tahoka is a new junior member of the American Angus Association, reports John Crouch, executive vice president of the national organization with headquarters in Saint Joseph, Missouri.

Morgan is the daughter of Todd and Kristi Lockaby.

Junior members of the Association are eligible to register cattle in the American Angus Association, participate in programs conducted by the National Junior Angus Association and take part in Association sponsored shows and other national and regional events.

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Lady Bulldog Basketball Camp Offered June 4-7

The Lady Bulldog Basketball Camp will be held June 4-7, from 1:00-4:00 in the Tahoka High School Gym. This camp is for incoming 3rd-9th grade girls only, and cost of camp is \$40, due at registration.

Camp forms are available in The Lynn County News and Tahoka High School. Please return registration forms to Coach Fancher or Carol Fancher at school or at 1828 N. 6th. Girls can also register on the first day of camp. For more information call the Tahoka High School gym at 561-4538 or Coach Fancher at 998-1264. A concession stand will be available for afternoon break.

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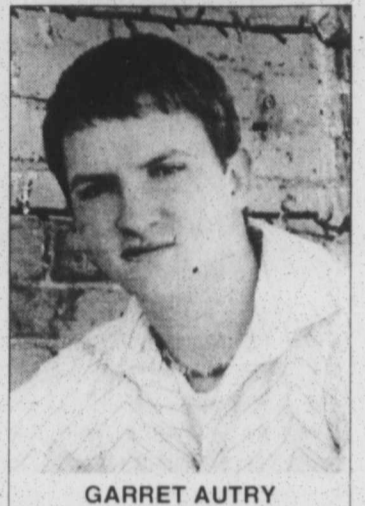
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GARRET AUTRY

Autry Receives National Honor

The National Society of High School Scholars (NSHSS) has announced that Tahoka High School senior Garret T. Autry has been selected for membership. The Society recognizes the top scholars in the nation and invites only those students who have achieved superior academic excellence. The announcement was made by NSHSS Founder and Chairman Claes Nobel, a senior member of the Swedish Nobel family.

"On behalf of NSHSS, I am honored to recognize the hard work, sacrifice, and commitment that Garret has demonstrated to achieve this exceptional level of academic excellence," said Mr. Nobel. "Garret is now a member of a unique community of scholars - a community that represents our very best hope for the future."

Autry, son of Robbie and De'Aun Autry of Tahoka, plans to attend Texas Tech University after graduating from Tahoka High School this year.

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Area Champions ... Tahoka Lady Bulldogs claimed the 1-2A Area Championship trophy with a 2-0 victory over West Texas Stinnett on May 1. It was a big moment for the softball team, as it was their first playoff win during the program's three-year history. They won the next round, and the team is currently in the running for the Regional Semifinals.

Softball Team Wins...

(continued from page 1) game Region 1-2A quarterfinal playoff.

The game was scoreless until the top of the fifth inning when D. Murillo singled, took second on a groundout and scored on Sarah Zuniga's double. Sanford-Fritch got a double in the sixth inning but no runs. Bottom of the seventh inning, Sanford-Fritch got two singles leaving runners on first and second base. The third batter was struck out for the first out of the seventh inning. The fourth batter hit a low pop fly to 3rd baseman Tawnyee Murillo for the second out. T. Murillo then threw the softball to 2nd baseman Brittany Blair to tag the base for the third and final out of the game.

"The Fritch game was a big win for us," said Coach Gonzalez. "It was a defensive game that showed our girls how solid defensively they can be, good enough to hold Fritch till the seventh inning with a 1-run lead. Tawnyee Murillo made a big defensive double play to end the game. These girls refuse to give up. They work hard for me and for each other."

Area Championship

On Tuesday May 1st at the Lady Eagle Field, in Canyon, Tahoka beat West Texas Stinnett 2-0 for the Region 1-2A Area Championship trophy.

The first inning was three up and three down for the Lady Comanche's as the first batter struck out and the second batter was out at first. The third batter was walked but was sent back to the dug out after catcher Kyra Murillo threw the softball to

shortstop Marissa Villegas who tagged the runner on a stolen base attempt.

D'Maris Murillo was walked in the second inning and scored single off a hit from Whitee Anderson. In the fourth inning, Sarah Zuniga hit a single and was singled home by Tawnyee Murillo.

Fischer D'Maris Murillo pitched a two-hitter. During the first six innings, D. Murillo allowed two walks and one batted ball out of the infield. She retired 13 straight batters from the second into the sixth inning. But in the seventh, she allowed back-to-back base hits giving the Lady Comanche's runners at first and second with no outs. The next two batters struck out and the game was over when a fly ball was caught by centerfielder Bailey Blair for the third and final out.

"The area playoff win against WT was also a huge win for us because it was our first playoff win. Bailey Blair's centerfield catch for the last out was felt across the field and in the stands. Big game - big win," said the coach.

"I have been the coach here for two years. Liz Boyd coached here the first year. I'm not positive on the numbers the first year, but last year we had 14 girls come out, and this year we have 17. We also have three managers, who are awesome and very supportive - two from high school (Monica Morales and Amy Barnera) and one from middle school (Nikki Bev)," said Gonzalez.

Schildknecht Among Grads of Texas College For Judicial Studies

Carter T. Schildknecht, Judge of the 106th District Court in Lamesa Texas was one of approximately 60 Texas judges that comprised the 2007 graduating class of the Texas College for Judicial Studies, a three year judicial training program. The college was held at the Sheraton Austin in Austin from April 23-27.

The Texas College for Judicial Studies is a multi-year program curriculum designed to provide advanced educational opportunities to judges who desire to improve their adjudication skills and acquire more knowledge in their jurisdictional specialization. The Texas Center for the Judiciary, an Austin-based non-profit judicial education group, developed the College curriculum. Judges who currently serve on the bench of a Texas county court at law, district, or appellate court with four years of judicial experience were invited to apply for admission to the College.

The conference featured a two-and-a-half-day core education program. Sessions covered topics relating to a jurisprudence, evidence, decision-making, ethics, and time management. The conference then featured four, day-and-a-half specialty education programs. The three specialty curriculums included civil, criminal, and family/juvenile topics.

A diverse faculty of attorneys, other well-informed professionals in various fields, and Texas' most respected and experienced judges taught these classes.

In 2006, State Bar of Texas President Eduardo Rodriguez recognized the Texas Center with a Presidential Citation for Outstanding Judicial Education, noting the Texas College for Judicial Studies specifically for increasing the specialized competence of the Texas Judiciary. The same year, the Texas Center received the ABA Judicial Excellence in Education Award, recognizing the excellence of all Texas Center Programs, including the Texas College for Judicial Studies.



Road Trip ... 35 members and sponsors of the Tahoka High School Band had fun in Corpus Christi last week during the annual band trip, shown here at the entrance to the Texas State Aquarium. They also visited the aircraft carrier USS Lexington, enjoyed a dolphin-watch boat trip, and a luau on the beach, and visited Schlitterdon water park at South Padre Island. The group left at 4 a.m. Thursday and returned to Tahoka Sunday about 9 a.m.



Nurse Recognized ... Melanie Moya (center), an LVN at Lynn County Hospital District, was recently nominated for the AHEC of the Plains Rural Nurse of the Year Award. She was recognized by the AHEC Selection Committee as a nominee with a certificate of appreciation and a small gift from AHEC of the Plains. She is shown with LCHD Administrator Jim Morris (left), and Brandi McKinney, of the Area Health Education Center. AHEC of the Plains created the Rural Nurse of the Year Award to recognize health professionals, medical facilities, and communities on the South Plains who are providing excellent health care.

Bulldog Athletic Camp Slated June 11-14

The Bulldog Athletic Program is offering a combination Football/Basketball/Baseball Camp this summer for all incoming 4th through 9th grade boys. Campers will have the option of participating in any or all camps. Camp will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. from June 11-14. Cost for camp will be \$35 for one camp, \$55 for two, and \$75 for all three camps.

Camp forms are available in the Lynn County News or at Tahoka High School Gym. Forms can be returned to Mr. Baker's office or Coach Stone in the High School. Please make checks payable to Bulldog Athletic Camp. Please pre-register by Monday, June 4, for a \$5 discount.

For more information call the High School Field House at 561-4414 or Coach Stone at 561-1447.

Two New Home Students Receive Cargill Scholarships

Cargill has awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to two New Home High School seniors who will graduate in May 2007, Meghan O'Rourke and Kebbi Hutto. Both are New Home FFA members. O'Rourke plans to major in a non-agriculture field at University of Notre Dame (IN) next fall, and Hutto plans to major in a non-agriculture field at Hardin-Simmons University (TX) next fall. The high school will also receive \$200 from Cargill in honor of each student to support the school's library.

Each year, the Cargill Community Scholarship Program awards \$1,000 scholarships to 350 students living in communities nationwide where Cargill has a business presence. Students are selected based on academic achievement and leadership in extracurricular and civic activities. The National FFA Organization administers the program on behalf of Cargill.

"We are pleased to recognize Meghan and Kebbi with a Cargill Community Scholarship," said Rick Stone, Manager of Cargill Cotton in Lubbock. "Cargill has

a long-standing commitment to education, and our facility is proud to support the potential of young people in our community."

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June 4th through June 7th
For incoming 3rd-9th grade GIRLS only!
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COST: \$40
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Make checks payable to Lady Bulldog Basketball Camp. Return camp forms to Coach Fancher or Carol Fancher (Elementary or HS LRC). YOU MAY REGISTER ON THE FIRST DAY OF CAMP.